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Henry Schoo, Mining Engineer
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Subject: Response to Comment on Tentative Approval, Western Utah Copper, WUCC, M001/067, Beaver County, Utah

Dear Mr. Schoo:

The Division received your comments to the public notice of the Division's tentative approval for Western Utah Copper's large mine plan on October 20, 2005. After reviewing the comments with Western Utah Copper and consulting with Division of Water Rights and Division of Environmental Quality the Division's intent is to approve the Large Mine Application.


The responses to your comments are addressed below.

- Section 34 was incorrectly included in the published notice. The mine will use the county road for transportation but no mining activity will occur within section 34. The plan has been amended to correct this error.
- A request for a copy of the WUCC plan was made. The WUCC plan is considered public information. Please contact Vicky Dyson (801-538-5279) at the Division's Public Information Center to arrange for copying costs and mailing.
- WUCC has water rights for use during mining and are listed in the plan as Nos. 71-4763 and Nos. 71-4783. The information for these water wells can be verified on the Division of Water Rights web page at:
<http://www.waterrights.utah.gov/>.
- The Division contacted the Division of Environmental Response and Remediation (DERR) concerning the Essex Millsite and removal of mine tailings. DERR is unaware of any pending issues concerning Western Utah Copper and the proposed permit area.

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If for any reason, you feel the information is inaccurate please let us know.
If you have other questions or comments please contact me or Tom Munson.

Sincerely,

for 
Susan M. White

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